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In re the Application of: Seiichi FURUMI et al.

Group Art Unit: 1711

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Official Action dated July 10, 2006. In the Action, restriction is required between Group I (Claims 1-9); Group II (Claims 10-11); Group III (Claims 12 and 23-29); Group IV (Claims 13-22 and 30-33); Group V (Claims 34 and 36); and Group VI (Claims 35 and 38).

Applicants hereby elect the subject matter of Group I (Claims 1-9) for prosecution in this application. This election is made without traverse, and it is understood that Applicants' rights to the filing of a divisional application directed to the non-elected subject matter under 35 U.S.C. §120 and 35 U.S.C. §121 are retained.

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If this paper is not timely filed, Applicants respectfully petition for an appropriate extension of time. The fees for such an extension or any other fees that may be due with respect to this paper may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-2866.

Respectfully submitted,

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